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(54) **Supports for selective printers**

- (57) A stand for both a printer and its stationary comprises a pair of end brackets (10) between which are supported:-
(i) a lectern-like sloping surface on which the printer itself (8) rests
(ii) a lower, horizontal shelf for holding a supply of fresh paper (6)
(iii) an upper horizontal shelf for holding the paper which has just been printed upon (7)

A space exists between the forward edge of the upper shelf and the inclined surface to allow passage of paper from the lower shelf to the printer.

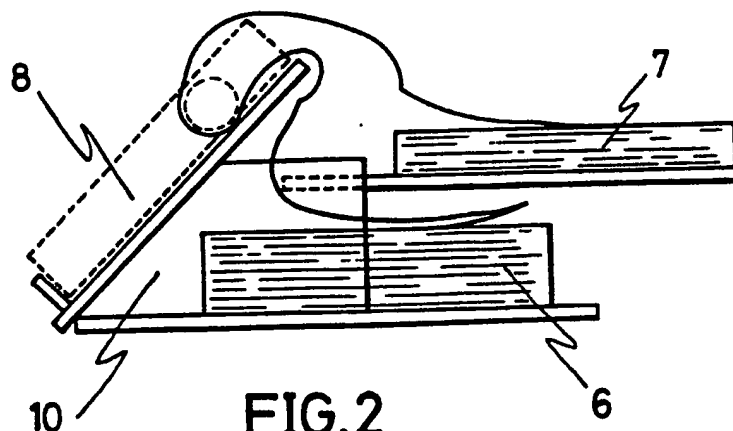
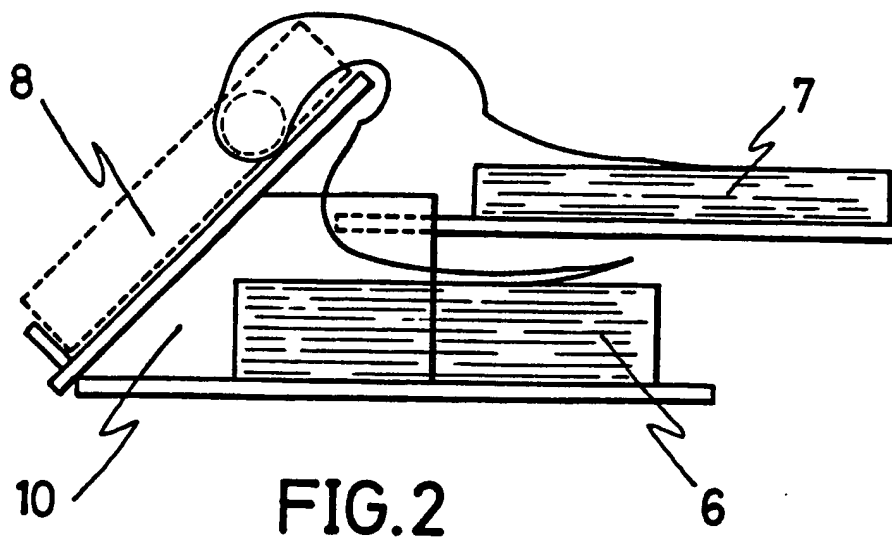
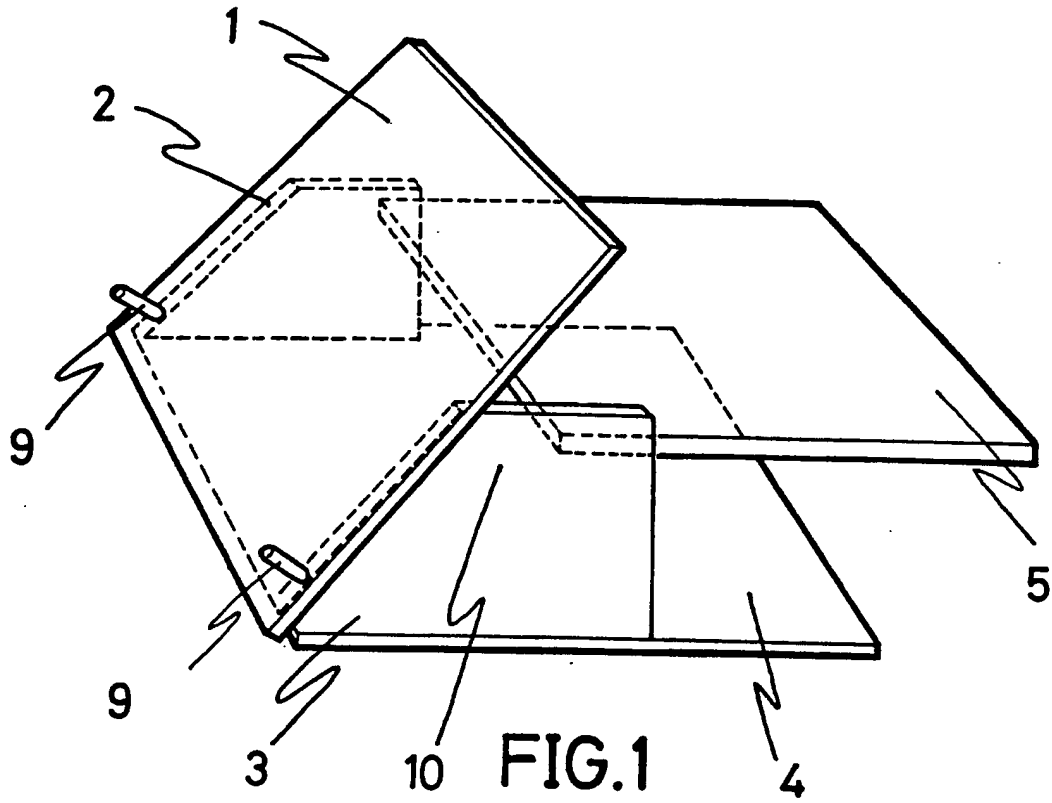


FIG. 2

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SUPPORT FOR COMPUTER PRINTER

The object of the invention which is described in the present specification is a complementary attachment whose purpose is to support a computer printer in an inclined position which permits the entry of the paper and its collection without the use of guides or other elements and the unit takes up very limited space.

It is known that computer tables have some special features for which purpose the paper of the printer has a special housing, generally located at ground level, with guides all along which the paper reaches the printer and at its discharge is guided again to a receiving element which is generally a bucket usually made out of wire or metallic rods.

The printer generally rests flat on the table close to the computer and it is quite difficult to read printout.

The unit of the printer and the paper storage and collection elements are very big and thus, they take up a lot of space.

Trying to solve all the problems that the location of the printer and the packages of paper have, the invention proposes an individual complementary attachment which in a very limited space permits the location of the printer, package of paper to be printed and the already printed paper.

When the support is complete with the printer and the paper in place, it forms an easy to move unit.

It is made up of a front inclined plane like a stand on which the printer is located, to whose end close to the bottom end of said plane are located some stops which retain it in the working position.

Said inclined plane rests at the back on two brackets which receive at different heights two other horizontal planes. The lowest one forms the support base and resting base of the package of paper to be printed, and the other, located approximately midway from the inclined plane is a support for the folded paper which has been printed.

The second plane leaves a separation space concerning the inclined plane. Through this space passes the paper from the package of unprinted paper to the printer.

The plane that forms the support for the printer will be inclined enough so that it will be easy to see the printed paper.

All the elements may be removable in order to form a model of a reduced space.

They will preferably be made out of methacrylate without this excluding - the manufacturing thereof out of other materials such as wood, plastic or metal.

Accompanying drawings show the support in two positions.

Figure 1.- The support appears in a perspective view.

Figure 2.- It represents a side view of the support with the printer and the packages of paper located in the correct position of use.

DESCRIPTION OF A PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

Just as it appears in the drawings, the support is made up of an inclined plane 1 joined by the back part to both brackets 2 and 3 which in turn receive two horizontal planes 4 and 5 located at different heights, the lowest one 4 corresponding to the position of the package of paper to be printed 6 and the top one 5 to the support of the printed paper 7 (figure 2.)

The printer 8 (figure 2) which remains supported on the stops 9 which keep it in a working position is located on the inclined plane.

Between the top plane 5 and the inclined plane 1 there is a passage 10 which permits the paper to move from the position on the plane 4 to the plane 5 passing through the printer.

CLAIMS:-

1. A support for a computer printer, comprising an inclined plane, like a stand, with rests near its lower edge, on which plane the printer is to be located, the plane being supported on two upstanding brackets which serve as a connection for two other parallel and horizontal planes located at different heights, the lower one being intended to support a package of paper to be printed, the paper coming out of the printer being deposited on the upper one, in use, there being a separation space between the upper plane and the inclined plane for the passage of the paper to be printed to the printer.
2. A support for a computer printer, substantially as described with reference to, and as shown in, the accompanying drawings.